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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT MUSEVENI AGREES TO FRENCH PLAN FOR

RWANDA

1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.

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2. ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE MET PRESIDENT MUSEVENI AT DULLES AIRPORT JUNE 18 FOR THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF OBTAINING UGANDAN SUPPORT FOR THE INTERIM FRENCH INITIATIVE ON RWANDA. MUSEVENI WAS ACCOMPANIED BY UGANDAN AMBASSADOR KATENTA-APULI. MOOSE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY US AMBASSADOR TO UGANDA CARSON AND AF/E DIRECTOR SHIMN. MOOSE EXPLAINED THAT THE USG GENERALLY SUPPORTS THE FRENCH FROPOSAL SUBJECT TO SEVERAL CONDITIONS. (THESE ARE SPELLED OUT IN STATE 163237). HE SAID THE FRENCH PLAN CAN BE IMPLEMENTED QUICKLY TO PROTECT VULNERABLE PEOPLE. ON THE OTHER HAND, IT WILL BE SEVERAL WEEKS BEFORE THE UN CAN PUT MORE TROOPS IN RWANDA. FRANCE. SUPFORTED BY OTHERS, PERHAPS SENEGAL, GHANA AND THE IVORY COAST, WOULD NOT TRY TO IMPOSE A CEASE FIRE, ENGAGE RWANDAN COMBATANTS OR ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE A SETTLEMENT. THEY WOULD ONLY SERVE AS A BRIDGE UNTIL THE UN ESTABLISHES ITS OWN FORCE. MOOSE ADDED THAT THE FRENCH PLAN WOULD CONFORM WITH THE UN

SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION.

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3. MUSEVENI URGED THAT THE FRENCH FIRST TALK WITH THE
RPF. MUSEVENI SAID HE HAD MET JUNE 17 WITH GENERAL
KAGAME, WHO WAS VERY HOSTILE TO THE FRENCH PROPOSAL.
MUSEVENI WENT ON TO SAY, HOWEVER, THAT "THE WAY YOU
DESCRIBE THE INITIATIVE, I DON'T SEE ANY HARM AND IT COULD
DO SOME GOOD." MUSEVENI SAID HE WOULD TRY TO PUT IN A
WORD WITH KAGAME. MUSEVENI DID URGE THAT THE FRENCH FLAN
NOT HAVE A ROLE FOR MOBUTU. A/S MOOSE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD
THE SENSITIVITIES OF THIS MATTER.

4. ON A RELATED ISSUE, A/S MOOSE REQUESTED MUSEVENI'S HELP WITH THE RPF SO THAT THE ICRC AND OTHER NGOS CAN ASSIST RWANDANS TO RETURN TO RPF HELD TERRITORY ALONG THE BORDER WITH TANZANIA. RWANDANS CONTINUE TO CROSS THE BORDER INTO TANZANIA, WHICH SUGGESTS THERE IS STILL A PROBLEM IN RWANDA EVEN THOUGH THE RFF SAYS THE SITUATION IS STABLE THERE AND THEIR COUNTRYMEN ARE FREE TO RETURN. IT IS CRITICAL THAT RWANDANS ASSISTED BY NGOS, RETURN TO THEIR COUNTRY TO PLANT CROPS. MUSEVENI NOTED THAT THOSE RWANDANS IN TANZANIA WHO WERE INVOLVED IN KILLINGS MAY NOT WANT TO RETURN. A/S MOOSE ACKNOWLEDGED THIS POINT. MUSEVENI SAID HE IS EQUALLY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS IDEA AND WILL PASS ALONG HIS VIEWS TO THE RPF.

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  5. SEPTEL REPORTS MUSEVENI'S COMMENTS ON HIS CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT QADHAFI CONCERNING SUDAN AND PAN AM 103.
- CHRISTOPHER MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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